Spec. Code: 0903
Occ. Area: 15
Work Area: 170
Prom. Line: None
Prob. Period: 6 mo.
Effective Date: 07/15/87

## PEST CONTROLLER

#### Function of Job

Under general direction from a designated supervisor, to inspect buildings and/or grounds for presence of pests (such as termites, roaches, rodents, and other vermin) and to treat infested areas through approved and regulated procedures.

# Characteristic Duties and Responsibilities

- 1. inspects infested areas to identify pests causing damage
- 2. determines treatment necessary
- 3. sprays chemicals into infested areas
- 4. fumigates infested areas, using toxic gases
- 5. sets mechanical traps where applicable
- 6. cuts openings in buildings and/or surrounding concrete to gain access to infested areas, using hand and/or power tools
- 7. posts warning signs surrounding treated areas and ensures that safety regulations are followed
- 8. may determine need for, order, and store chemicals, materials, and equipment required for pest control
- 9. maintains records of treated areas; may maintain materials inventory
- 10. may clean areas that harbor pests in order to prepare areas for treatment
- 11. performs other related duties as assigned

### MINIMUM ACCEPTABLE QUALIFICATIONS

### CREDENTIALS TO BE VERIFIED BY PLACEMENT OFFICER

1. high school graduation or equivalent

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2. certification by the Illinois Department of Public Health as a Structural Pest Control Technician in sub-category(-ies) applicable to work assignments of the position to be filled, as required by the Illinois Structural Pest Control Act

#### and/or

certification by the Illinois Department of Agriculture as a Public Pesticide Operator or Public Pesticide applicator in technical category area(s) applicable to work assignments of the position to be filled, as required by the Illinois Pesticide Act

### PERSONAL ATTRIBUTES NEEDED TO UNDERTAKE JOB

- 1. knowledge of labeling and classification of pesticides
- 2. knowledge of safety precautions involved in pesticide application, including basic first aid treatment
- 3. skill in use of pesticide application equipment
- 4. ability to identify pests and type of treatment required
- 5. ability to maintain records